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Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119 AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Sir:

In the matter of the above-captioned application for a United States patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicant claims the priority date of November 27, 2001, the filing date of the corresponding Japanese patent application 2001-360321

The certified copy of corresponding Japanese patent application 2001-360321 will be submitted as soon as received from Applicant. Acknowledgment of receipt of the certified copy is respectfully requested in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

Chihiro UEMATSU, Kazunori OKANO and Takashi IRIE INVENTOR:

PCR PRIMERS AND DECISION METHOD FOR BASE For:

SEQUENCE THEREOF

Enclosed are:

- 14 sheets of □ formal □ informal drawings.
- An assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.
- An Information Disclosure Statement with PTO Form 1449
- ☑ An Executed Declaration

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